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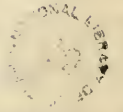

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THE

PEDIGREE

OF

—— SCOTT, OF STOKOE,

IN THE

PARISH OF SYMONDBURN, AND COUNTY OF NORTHUMBERLAND,

AND LATE OF

TODERICK, SELKIRKSHIRE,

NORTH BRITAIN.

COMPILED

BY WILLIAM SCOTT, M.D.

But by your Fathers' worth if yours you rate,
Count me those only who were good and great.
Go! if your ancient but ignoble blood
Has crept through scoundrels ever since the Flood—
Go! and pretend your family is young,
Nor own your Fathers have been fools so long.
What can ennoble sots, or slaves, or cowards?
Alas! not all the blood of all the Howards.——*Pope.*

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The following Pedigree of the Scotts of Synton, Boonraw, Whitslade, Toderick, &c. are collected and compiled principally from Captain Walter Scott of Satchels's Genealogical Essays; Nisbet's and Mackenzie's Heraldry; Douglas's Scotch Baronage; the Lyon or Herald's Office of Scotland; and from a MS. Pedigree of the said Families, compiled by the late Mr Gladstains of Whitlaw, Roxburghshire, &c.

Stamfordham,
(Northumberland), March 1783.

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In or about the year 1288, the then Baron or Laird of Buckcleugh, or Buccleugh, ancestor to the present Duke of that name, being then one of the wardens of the Scotch Border, had at that time a younger son called John,* who was lame: This John, it would appear, was a younger brother to Sir Richard Scott, Knt.† of Rancleburn, or Buccleugh, who married, in 1296, the heiress of Murdiston in Clydesdale.

This said John Scott they sent to St Mungo's, in Glasgow, for his education, intending, on account of his lameness, to breed him a scholar, being unfit for the then Border service;—after remaining there a considerable time, he married, and, as it is hinted, not quite agreeable to his father's mind; and his posterity remained there "until the third generation." The said John Scott's grandson, called

* Vide Captain Walter Scott of Satchels's Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 65. Edinburgh, printed 1688; and reprinted in 1777 or 1778.

† Vide Douglas's Scotch Peerage.

3d Generation from the Baron of Buccleugh.

WALTER, was one of the Chamberlains (*i. e.* agents or stewards) to the then Archbishop of Glasgow: this was in the time of King Robert II. of Scotland, and in or about the year 1389. The said Bishop recommended this said Walter Scott to his cousin of Buccleugh, on which the above Walter settled at Burnfoot, on the river Ale, Roxburghshire, North Britain, still continuing to act for the said Bishop.* This Walter was called by a cant name, Watt the *Ratton*, on account of his fellness and activity.† He married a daughter of Mr Shortread, of Headshaw, Selkirkshire, on the said river or water Ale, and by her had four sons: viz. 1*st*, George, his heir of Synton, of whom afterwards; 2*d*, —— Scott, of Headshaw; 3*d*, ——— Scott, of Glack, Roxburghshire; 4*th*, —— Scott, of Askirk,‡ Roxburghshire.

Some of the offspring of these three last continued a very considerable time, but their descendants are either now extinct, or cannot be traced. The above eldest son,

4th Generation; and 1st of Synton.

GEORGE, was settled at, or made Laird of Synton, (as the other three brothers were of the places above-mentioned), on the said river Ale, Roxburghshire, and married a daughter of Sir

* Roxburghshire, Dumfries, Peebles, and Selkirkshire, were all, or in part, formerly in the diocese of Glasgow.

† Cant names were then, and for a long time afterwards, very common on the Borders, as may be seen by looking into the learned Dr Burn's Introduction to his History of Westmoreland and Cumberland; Hume's History of the Douglas's, &c.

‡ Vide Captain Walter Scott's Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 66.; and the Scotch Baronage.

John Turnbull, of Falshope, in Selkirkshire; and by her had issue a son,

WALTER, who, in the reign of James II., married a daughter of —— Scott, Laird of Hassendean, (ancestor to the brave Sir Alexander Scott of Hassendean, who was killed at Flouden-field, in 1513,*) and by her had issue two sons, John and Walter;—and was succeeded by

5th Generation; and 2d of Synton.

JOHN, who married a daughter of —— Riddell, of that Ilk, ancestor to the present Sir Jo. Riddell, of that Ilk, Bart. on the said river Ale, Roxburghshire, and died without issue.—So was succeeded by his brother,

6th Generation; and 3d of Synton.

WALTER, who married a daughter of Sir J. Johnston, of that Ilk, ancestor to the Marquis of Annandale,† and had issue one son; and he died in or about the beginning of the reign of James III.; so was succeeded by his said son,

4th of Synton.

GEORGE, who married a daughter of Tho. Scott of Roberton, in Roxburghshire, and had issue two sons, Walter and William:—Walter, the eldest son, was designed of Synton, and William, the younger, of Harden.‡—This was in or

7th Generation; and 5th of Synton.

* See Guthrie's account of that battle, in his History of Scotland, where he is mentioned.

† Vide Capt. W. Scott's Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 66.; and the Scotch Baronage.

‡ The lineal male descendants of the above Wm. Scott of Harden, Roxburghshire, the said younger son, are still living, and have greatly increased their possessions, and have intermarried with many of the greatest and best families in the south of Scotland. There are also several considerable and respectable families sprung

about the year 1467, so was succeeded by his said eldest son,

8th Generation; and 6th of Synton.

WALTER, who married to his first wife —— Cockburn, daughter to the Laird of Henderland, in Peebles-shire, and had issue by her a son, Walter, and she died soon after. He married, secondly, Margaret, the daughter of James Riddell, of that Ilk, before mentioned:—he now settled the estate or lordship of Synton, upon his said son Walter, by his first wife.—We now leave this first branch of the family of Synton, viz. the descendants of this said eldest son, Walter, by the first wife, and shall only observe, that they failed several ages after, and in or about the year 1720, in the person of Arch. Scott, Laird of Boonraw, who was the last lineal male representative of this first branch of the family of Synton, as may be seen in the note below,* and as such was registered

from this of Harden, viz. —— Scott of Gallowshields, Selkirkshire; —— Scott of Wool, Roxburghshire; —— Scott of Rhaeburn, Annandale; and —— Scott, the present possessor of the estate of Synton, &c. Vide Capt. W. Scott's Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 13. 17. 19. 20. 66., &c.

* (*9th Generation, and 7th of Synton.*)

This said Walter of Synton, the eldest son of the first marriage, mentioned above, married a daughter of Js. Riddell, of that Ilk,† his own father's second wife's younger sister, and by her had a son, George, who lived at, and was designed of Howcoate, Roxburghshire, in his father's lifetime.

(*10th Generation, and 8th of Synton.*)

This GEORGE married —— Admiston, daughter of J. Admiston, of Ednam, Roxburghshire, Esq. and by her had a son,

(*11th Generation, and 9th of Synton.*)

WALTER, who married a daughter of Sir Arch. Douglas, of Whittingham, Haddingtonshire, and by her had two sons and a daughter, viz. George, his successor; Capt. Archibald, who died a

† Vide the Scotch Baronage, under the article Riddell of Riddell, *alias* of that Ilk.

in the Lyon Office of Scotland. § The above Walter Scott, the father, then, (being, as it is

bachelor; and Anne, married to Jno. Gladstains of Whitlaw, who had issue.*

(*12th Generation, and 10th of Synton.*)

George, the eldest son, married —— Gladstains, daughter of the Laird of Dodd, Roxburghshire: by her he had three sons, viz. Walter, who died unmarried; George, his successor, and the first of them who was designed of Boonraw; Richard, parson of Askirk, Roxburghshire, who married a Miss Creighton, and by her had a daughter, Jane, who was twice married, but died without issue. This Richard was living at Askirk in 1688.

(*13th Generation, and 1st of Boonraw.*)

George, married Miss Douglas, daughter to —— Douglas of Garvald, Roxburghshire, and by her had a son, Archibald, and a daughter Ann: He was succeeded by his said son,—

(*14th Generation, and 2d and last of Boonraw.*)

Archibald, who died unmarried, as did also his said sister Ann.† And so here ends the old family of Synton, in this its first male branch, in the person of the said Archibald, Laird of Boonraw, who died a bachelor, and at a very advanced age, in or about the year 1720, as mentioned above, he being the 14th descent from the Baron of Buccleugh. But this family seems to have disposed of and left Synton,‡ some time in or about the year 1610, and was afterwards designed of Boonraw in Roxburghshire. The male representation, therefore, of this first branch of the Synton family, at the death of the above mentioned Archibald, last of Boonraw, fell, therefore, clearly and directly upon the descendants of the eldest son of Walter Scott of the eighth generation, and sixth of Synton, by his second wife Margaret Riddell, who had retired to live at Whitslade, as above related; and who were, therefore, the descendants of Robert Scott, of the ninth generation, and first of Whitslade; for Walter of the ninth generation, and seventh of Synton, the first branch of the family, and whose descendants were afterwards designed of Boonraw, as now related; and the said Robert, also of the ninth generation, and first of Whitslade—were brothers, as they had both the same father, but not the same mother, their father having been twice married, as is above more particularly pointed out.

§ Vide Nisbet's Extracts from the Lyon Office, printed in his Heraldry, Vol. i. p. 99.

* The late Mr Gladstains of Whitlaw, (a descendant from the above marriage), a learned and ingenious gentleman, who, among many other things, had made heraldry and genealogies a part of his studies, was so good as to favour me with pedigrees in MS. of the above families of Scott of Synton, Whitslade, &c. in 1769, and to which MS. we have been much indebted in the present compilation.

† Vide Capt. W. Scott's Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 65, 66, 67, and 68.

‡ Synton came then by purchase, or somehow or other, into the possession of the ancestors of the present possessor, and who is also of the name of Scott, and is a descendant from a younger branch of the same family, viz. from that of Harden.

observed, elder brother to William of Harden,*) having thus settled his eldest son by his first wife, Laird of Synton, and he himself as yet being but young, retired, or went to live at Whitslade, on the said river Ale, Roxburghshire, with his said second wife, Margaret Riddell: this was in or about the year 1487; and by her had four sons and eight daughters, and died at Whitslade about the age of 90. His having in the former part of his life lived at Synton, and in the latter part at Whitslade, has occasioned some little confusion, as he is thereby sometimes designed of Synton, and at other times of Whitslade. His sons were, Robert, his successor in the estate of Whitslade; William of Huntley; James of Satchels; Thomas of Whitehaugh-brae, all in Roxburghshire:—the male descendants from the said three younger sons are either now extinct, or cannot possibly be traced; but a descendant from the third son was Capt. Walter Scott of Satchels, who had, in his youth, served under Gustavus the Great. In the latter part of his life he wrote a book, partly in verse, dedicated to his friends of the name of Scott and Elliot, in which he gives an account of many of their pedigrees, and shews the connexion of several of their families, together with some few anecdotes concerning them; and this he is believed to have done with great faithfulness and impartiality, and on that account he is frequently quoted or referred to by the celebrated writer Nisbet, particularly in his second volume of Heraldry; and we have been much obliged to him in compiling

* Vide Capt. W. Scott's Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 17. 67.

these pedigrees: he died without male issue. There are but few particulars we are now able to discover concerning this person's private history; from his said book, tradition, and accounts handed down from his daughter, &c. he appears, however, to have been in the British army in 1629, and that he entered into the service of the illustrious Gustavus, King of Sweden, probably some time in or about the year 1631; and he seems to have been in the said service during all that king's great and astonishing wars in Germany, and to have continued in the said army long after that king's death; for he does not appear to have returned home to Scotland until a considerable time after the peace of Munster in 1648. He, some time after his return home, and when an old man, married a young woman, by whom he had the said daughter, whom he called Gustava, in memory of his illustrious master; and he seems to have lived to a very great age, for his said book was not printed till 1688. The eldest daughter of the said Walter of Whitslade married the Laird of Black-Ormiston; the second to —— Langlands, of that Ilk; the third to the Laird of Tosturnbull; the fourth to the Laird of Ailmor; the fifth to the Laird of Fanash; the sixth to the Laird of Chappellmiddlemiss; and the seventh, first to Philip Scott, of Kirkhope, secondly, to William Scott, of Wall, and thirdly, to Alexander Chisholm, of Parkhill: all or most of these places are, we believe, in Roxburghshire. He was succeeded in the estate of Whitslade by

ROBERT, the eldest son of the second mar- 9th Generation; and 1st of Whitslade.

riage, and next brother to Walter of the ninth generation, and seventh of Synton, by the father's side, mentioned in the note below. This Robert married Helen, daughter to —— Rutherford, of Hunthill, Esquire, in Roxburghshire, (ancestor to Lord Rutherford), and by her had issue two sons; viz. Walter, his successor, and Thomas, who was the first of Toderick: of him afterwards. This Robert is said to have built, or at least finished, the old strong mansion-house at Whitslade, now in ruins. ——— Scott, of Whitslade, is recorded in the Lyon or Herald's Office of Scotland, from Synton, and as originally descended of the family of Buccleugh.* This Robert lived at, and was called of Stirkshaws, in the said shire, in his father's lifetime, as did also his said son and successor, Walter, in the younger part of his life;† which

10th Generation; and 2d of Whitslade.

WALTER, the eldest son, succeeded his father in the estate of Whitslade, and was called the *Hawke*, on account of his sharpness and activity. He appears to have been at the battle of Melrose in 1526.‡ He married a daughter of —— Douglas of Cavers, in Roxburghshire, by whom he had three sons; to wit, Sir Wr. Scott, Knt. his suc-

* As appears from Nisbet's Extracts from the said register, printed in his Heraldry, vol. i. p. 99, 100, &c. published in 1722. The said Mr Nisbet, the celebrated writer on genealogies and heraldry, seems himself to have been some time keeper of the said office or records. See also Sir George Mackenzie's Heraldry, p. 35.

† Vide Capt. Walter Scott's Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 16.; and a pamphlet called a Description of the Parish of Melrose, p. 51. by the Rev. Mr Milne, printed in 1769.

‡ Vide Milne's Description of the Parish of Melrose, p. 51. Hume's Hist. of the Douglas's, vol. ii. p. 90, 91.

cessor; Robert, and Thomas.—The two younger sons seem either never to have been married, or at least to have left no male issue, as not the least trace of any descendant from either of them can now possibly be discovered; but Robert, the second brother, appears to have been one of the thirty-three men who were along with Sir Walter Scott of Buccleugh (afterwards created Lord Buccleugh) in 1596, when he brought Wm. Armstrong of Kinment out of Carlisle castle, by a desperate but successful scalado of the walls of the said castle in the night, in which was Lord Scroope with a very strong garrison.*—He was succeeded by his above-mentioned eldest son,

SIR WALTER SCOTT, Knt. This Walter seems to have been a military man, and to have distinguished himself in the domestic and Border wars that were in the reign of Queen Mary, and her son James VI.:—it appears also probable, that he had served some time with reputation in Holland and the Netherlands, (which were then endeavouring to cast off the Spanish yoke). Capt. W. Scott, in his before mentioned book, appears to have had a very high opinion of his military merit, as he calls him by a kind of hyperbolical compliment, the "*Chief of Chivalry;*"†—but the particular services in which he was employed or

11th Generation; and 3d of Whitslade.

* Vide a minute account of this affair in Capt. W. Scott's said book, who probably in his youth had conversed with some of the old people concerned in it, and particularly his own father, who appears to have been also one of them; Part I. p. 11, 12, 13, &c. See also Guthrie's Hist. of Scotland, vol. viii. p. 332.

† Vide Capt. W. Scott's Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 18. 73.

engaged in, or upon what occasion he was knighted, we cannot now ascertain.—He married Susannah Scott, daughter of ——— Scott, of Thirlestain, in Selkirkshire, ancestor paternally to the present Lord Napier;* and she dying without issue, he married, 2dly, Miss Scott, daughter of Sir J. Scott, of Newbrough, in Selkirkshire; and by her he had three sons and a daughter: viz. Robert, his successor; Sir Walter, successor to Robert; and Thomas, successor to Sir Walter; and a daughter, Isabella, who married her relation, Francis, a younger son of Walter Scott, of Harden, Esq.; and from which marriage the Scotts now of Synton are descended.—The above Sir Walter died at Whitslade in a very advanced age, anno 1628, and was succeeded by his said eldest son,

12th Generation; and 4th of Whitslade.

ROBERT, who entered early into the civil wars in the time of Charles I. and was killed at the great battle of Marston-moore, nigh York, in 1644:†—He married Jane, natural daughter to Walter, Earl of Buccleugh, and appears to have had no issue, or at least no male issue, as he was succeeded in the estate of Whitslade by his brother,

5th of Whitslade.

Sir WALTER SCOTT, Knt. This Walter also entered pretty early into the civil wars, and so far distinguished himself as to be knighted either by Charles I. or II. He was killed at the battle of Inverkeathing, nigh Dunfermline, in

* Vide Scotch Peerage.
† Vide Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 18.

1651.* He married a daughter of Sir Robert Stewart, of Ormistone, (brother to the Earl of Traquair), but by her had no issue,—so was succeeded by his brother,

6th of Whitslade.

THOMAS, who was very sore wounded at the said battle of Inverkeathing, where his brother was killed, but recovered. He married Mrs Mitchel, and had issue by her a son, and died in 1671;—which son,

13th Generation; and 7th of Whitslade.

THOMAS, married Jane, daughter to Sir J. Hay, of Park, Bart. in the shire of Galloway; and was living at Whitslade in 1688, when Capt. W. Scott's book, so often mentioned, was published: and by his said wife had seven sons; viz. Thomas, his successor; John, who succeeded his brother Thomas in the estate of Whitslade; Walter; Robert, who was a surgeon at Hawick, in Roxburghshire, and died in or about the year 1757, having many years outlived all his brothers; Francis; William, late an eminent physician at Worcester; and James.—All of whom died without issue, except the eldest son,

14th Generation; and 8th of Whitslade.

THOMAS, who married a daughter of Sir J. Scott, of Ancrum, Bart. in Roxburghshire, and by her had two daughters, viz. Elizabeth and Janet. —Janet died unmarried; and Elizabeth married

* This was in a very smart action, that happened in the above year, betwixt Major-Gen. Brown, who commanded the Scotch for the King, and Gen. Lambert, who commanded on the other side. The Scotch were worsted, and a great many killed.—See Guthrie's Hist. vol. x. p. 36. Cromwell's Life, p. 210. Genealogical Essays, Part II. p. 18.

Mr William Macdougal, brother to ——— Macdougal, of Mackerstoun, in Berwickshire, by whom she had issue.—But was succeeded in the estate of Whitslade by his brother and male heir,

9th and last of Whitslade.

JOHN, who was never married; and sold the estate of Whitslade in or about the year 1722, and died some few years afterwards;—and which estate consisted at that time of Whitslade, Castillside, two large farms called Readfordgreens, Askirk, Askirkmill, Salanside, Bradley, &c. &c. all in Roxburghshire.

So here ends (as far as we can possibly find out) the male line of this principal branch of the family;—for since the death of Arch. Scott, last of Boonraw, in 1720, before-mentioned, the male representation therefore of the Synton family fell directly upon this branch of Whitslade;—as Walter of the 9th generation and 7th of Synton, and Robert, his next brother, also of the 9th generation and 1st of Whitslade, were brothers by the father's side, as has been more particularly shewn before:—and the last male of this Whitslade branch who was living, was Robert, the fourth son, above mentioned, who was a surgeon in Hawick, Roxburghshire, and who died at a great age in 1757;—and he, like his relation Archibald, last of Boonraw, was exactly the 14th descent from the Baron of Buccleugh.

We now, therefore, *return* to *THOMAS, the first of Toderick*, who was next brother to Walter of the 10th generation and 2d of Whitslade, before-mentioned; upon whose descendants the male representation of the above families of Synton,

Whitslade, &c. now clearly and directly devolved. Which

10th Generation; and 1st of Toderick.

THOMAS seems to have settled at Toderick, on the before-mentioned river Ale, Selkirkshire, some time between the years 1550 and 1560.*—He married ——— ———, and had issue two sons; to wit, Thomas, his successor, and Walter. —As to the said second son Walter, we can find nothing further concerning him than that it appears, from Captain W. Scott's book before-mentioned, that he also was one of the thirty-three persons who, along with Sir Walter Scott of Buccleugh, by a sudden and well-conducted coup-de-main in 1596, took William Armstrong of Kinment out of Carlisle castle, in the night, as mentioned before, in which was Lord Scroope and a very strong garrison, and which was deemed at that time a very gallant exploit.† This said Walter seems never to have been married, a thing very common with younger brothers in this country in those times.

11th Generation; and 2d of Toderick.

THOMAS, the eldest son above-mentioned, married Jane, daughter of Robert Pringle, of Clifton, Esq. in Roxburghshire; and by her had issue three sons and three daughters; viz. Walter, his successor; William, who married and settled

* In a seat in the old kirk at Selkirk, belonging to Toderick, was the name of Thomas Scott, anno 1557. This Thomas Scott of Toderick is recorded as next brother to ——— Scott of Whitslade, in the Lyon Office, and as of Synton, and originally descended from Buccleugh.—Vide Nisbet's Extracts, printed in his Treatise of Heraldry, specul. and practical, vol. i. p. 99, 100, &c.

† Vide Genealogical Essays, Part I. p. 12. Guthrie's History of Scotland, vol. viii. p. 332. Douglas's Scotch Peerage.

at Milsington, in the above shire, where his posterity still remains, and from whom the Scotts, now of Girnwood and Singlee, Selkirkshire, are descended; Robert, who went into the army, and lived till he was about ninety-two years of age, but was never married; and what military operations he was concerned in, during his long service, we cannot now learn, further than that he had the direction of some part of the artillery in the royal army in 1715, at the battle of Shirreffmoor, where he behaved well: he was a man of great simplicity of manners, and of great integrity and honour: he died in the garrison in Edinburgh castle in 1752:—The daughters were, Mary, married to Dr Rutherford of Jedbrough, by whom she had issue; ——— to ——— Scott, of Baillie-Lee, in Selkirkshire, who had issue; Ann, who died unmarried.

12th Generation; and 3d of Toderick.

WALTER, the eldest son above-mentioned, succeeded his father, and married Elizabeth Kerr, daughter of Sir Thomas Kerr, of Fairnalee, in Roxburghshire, by whom he had one son, Thomas, his successor, and seven daughters: the eldest daughter, Jane, married William Elliot of Hariot, Esq.; Elizabeth married Henry Elliot of Bells,* brother to the said Elliot of Hariot; Nelly, 1st,

* By whom she had a great many children, and among others a son, Walter, who was surgeon to the Wager ship of war, belonging to Lord Anson's squadron; and who, along with the Hon. Mr Byron, Mr Hamilton, and some others, staid with the captain after the loss of the said ship, and after almost all the rest of the crew had deserted him, and who, along with the said captain and the others, after undergoing almost unheard-of sufferings, died a few days before they reached the Spanish settlements of Chili. See Byron's Narrative of the loss of the said ship, where an excellent character is given of him.

to John Elliot of the Peal, and 2dly, to the Rev. Mr Hume; Janet to Mr Purdom of Hawick;—all these places are in Roxburghshire, except the Bells, which is in Northumberland;—Christian to Mr George Dennison, writer to the signet at Edinburgh; Margaret to Mr David Scott of Mirrylaws,* nigh Dumfries; Violet to —— ——, in Lothian:—they had all issue except Nelly.—The above Walter died in 1722, and his said son,

13th Generation; and 4th and last of Toderick.

THOMAS, succeeded him, who was in the commission of the peace for Selkirk and Roxburghshire, and was educated at the University of Glasgow: he married Mary, second daughter and co-heir of Robert Scott of Scottsbank, Esq.† in Selkirkshire, in the year 1708, and by her had issue five sons and two daughters; viz. Walter, his successor; Robert, who died young; Thomas, who went to sea in or about the year 1740, and was at sea during all that war, where he received several wounds, and also lost an eye;—about the year 1750 he entered into the East India Company's service, where he remained thirteen or fourteen years; he now (1783) lives retired, and has no issue: the particulars of his history and adventures we do not exactly know, further than that he has undergone incredible hardships and fatigue,

* This David has a son also called David, now a Captain in the royal regiment of artillery, and who has served this war in America with great reputation, and has distinguished himself in various capacities. Vide a character of him in the St James's Chronicle, Jan. 23. 1783.

† Who was a member of the last Scotch Parliament before the Union for the borough of Selkirk. He had also two daughters more, one of whom was married to Mr Mercer of Selkirk or Kirtley; the other to Mr Fenton of Millenearn, in Perthshire. He was of the family of the Scotts of Dryhope, in Selkirkshire.

as well as having been at several sea engagements. John and Patrick, his two younger sons, also went to sea, and both soon after died unmarried. Janet, his eldest daughter, married, 1st, Mr Howie, surgeon in Selkirk, by whom she had children, but they all died young; and 2dly, to the Rev. Mr David Brown, minister of Selkirk, by whom she had a daughter.* This Janet was an excellent good woman, in every sense of the word; she died at Ormiston in East Lothian in 1767.—Elizabeth, his youngest daughter, is still living, and unmarried.

The said Thomas married, 2dly, Jane, sister to John Elliot of Peal, in Selkirkshire, and relict of Mr Thomas Pringle of Kirton, in the said shire, but by her had no issue. This Thomas having lived genteelly, and perhaps a little too liberally, hurt his fortune; and in 1746 sold his estate and mansion-house of Toderick, having also some years before sold the estate of Wester-Essenside in Roxburghshire. He died in 1753, at Selkirk, and was buried at Askirk, in an isle or vault at the south side of the said church, which isle is now in ruins, or rather, in a great measure, totally removed. The arms are still on the seat in the said Kirk that belongs to Toderick, cut in wood, and the date 1622.

14th Generation; and 1st of Stokoe.

WALTER, the eldest son above-mentioned, succeeded his father, and served some time in the horse-guards: he married, in 1732, Jane, only daughter and heir of Wm. Robson of High

* Mary, who married Andrew Wight, of Ormiston, Esq. in East Lothian, by whom she has issue.

Stokoe, gentleman, in the parish of Symondburn, and chapelry of Falstone, and county of Northumberland, * by whom he had issue about twelve children, all of whom died young, except two sons and two daughters; viz. William, of whom afterwards; Patrick, a Doctor of Physic, who settled at Douglas, Isle of Man, and married Annas, daughter of the Rev. Mr Nelson, late of Stamfordham, in Northumberland, and by whom he has now issue three sons, viz. John Nelson, Walter, and William;—his eldest daughter, Mary, married Mr John Best, of Duncklywood, in the said parish of Symondburn, and county of Northumberland, and has issue; Jane, married to Mr Paul Blakey, of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, by whom she has issue.

The above Walter Scott, now of Stokoe, by the failure of the Synton family in the person of Archibald last of Boonraw in or about the year 1720 before-mentioned, and that of the Whitslade family in the person of Robt. Scott in 1757, as has been already shewn, is now therefore the direct male representative of the old family of

* All that we can learn at present of this family of the Robsons is, that Geoffroy Robson, great-grandfather to the above Jane, was possessed of Charlton Townhead, where he lived, and Bosehill, nigh Bellingham, in Northumberland;—that he had a son John, who lived at, and was possessed of Shilburnhaugh, in the parish of Symondburn and the said county of Northumberland, and that either he, or his father, sold Bosehill, for it went out of the family, somehow or other, about that time. This John Robson of Shilburnhaugh, married ——— Charlton, a daughter of Mr Charlton, laird of Hackuphill, in the above parish and county, with whom he is said to have got the above-mentioned High-Stokoe. This John by his said wife had a son, William, and a daughter, Beallie, who married Mr George Gray, by whom she had many children, several of whom are still living:—their said son William married Elizabeth, daughter to Mr Todd of Leadbirks, nigh Haydon-Bridge, Northumberland, and by her had an only daughter, the above Jane.

Synton, and also of that of Whitslade and Toderick, &c. and is exactly the 14th descent from the Baron of Buccleugh, mentioned in the third page;—and since the coming off from the said family, of his first direct ancestor, it is now in or about 495 or 500 years.

15th Generation.

Descent.

WILLIAM, his eldest son, above mentioned, also a Doctor of Physic, and the compiler of this Pedigree. He settled at Stamfordham in Northumberland, and married, in 1759, Martha, daughter of the Rev. Mr Edward Fenwick,* Vicar of Kirk-

* That the Fenwicks are one of the oldest and best families in Northumberland, and have split into many very considerable branches, is a thing well known, and may be seen by looking into Wallis's Antiquities of Northumberland, and others:

"Insigni et illustri Fenwickorum progenie,
———— Celeberrimo sanguine," &c. †

However, all that we can learn concerning this branch is, that Ambrose Fenwick, who was a woollen-draper in London in or about the time of King Charles the First, is said to have been a younger son of the Fenwicks of Meldon in Northumberland, which Fenwicks of Meldon were a younger branch of the Fenwicks of Fenwick-castle and Wallington in the said county.—This said Ambrose had a son, Edward, who was vicar of Stamfordham in Northumberland, and who married a daughter of Sir Francis Liddell of Redheugh, in the county of Durham, by whom he had issue, two sons and a daughter; he married, 2dly, Mrs Robison of Blackheadon, in Northumberland, but by her had no issue.

His eldest son, called Ambrose, succeeded him in the living of Stamfordham, and married Miss Bradley, daughter to Mr Bradley, attorney at law in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, but left no issue.—Edward, his second son, was vicar of Kirkwhelpington in Northumberland, and married Ann, daughter to Mr Newton, of Hackwell, in the said county, by whom he had several children, of whom the above Martha was the youngest.

The above-mentioned Sir Francis Liddell, of Redheugh, is supposed to have been a second son of Sir Thomas Liddell, the first Baronet of Ravensworth-castle, in the county of Durham, and ancestor to the present Lord of that name:—this Sir Francis married, "Agnes, daughter and sole heir to Sir Wm. Chaytor of Croft, in com. Ebor. Knt. relict, first, of Nicholas Forster, of Bamburgh, in com. Nor-

† Vide Antiquit. of Northumberland, vol. ii. p. 406. 157. 527. &c.

whelpington, in the said county of Northumberland, by whom he had issue four children, two of whom died in their infancy; the others are, Walter, and Edward-Fenwick.

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thumb. and, 2dly, of —— Dawson, near Rippon:—and he had a son, Francis, married to Frances, daughter to Nicholas Forster, of Bamburgh:—but this son seems to have been by a former wife, for it is said, the above Sir Francis Liddell had been twice married."—Vide English Baronage, published in 1741, in quarto, in a note, under the article Liddell of Ravensworth-castle.

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ARMS.

"*Scott of Boonraw, as representative of the Family of Synton,—or, two mullets in chief, and a crescent in base, azure: Crest, a nymph holding in her dexter hand the sun, and in her sinister, the moon, all proper; Motto,* Reparabit cornua phæbe."—Vide Nisbet's Heraldry, vol. i. p. 99, 100.

And the above, or something nearly the same, seems to have been the original and ancient Coat of most or all of the name of Scott in the south parts of Scotland.*

Scott of Whitslade appears to have carried, for some descents, the same Arms as those above of Scott of Boonraw; for Mr Gladstains says, in his MS. that he had seen the "*same engraved or painted in the old house at Whitslade,*" and that they had "*two mermaids proper for supporters:*" But of later times, "*Scott of Whitslade, descended of Synton,*" carried "*or, on a bend azure, a star betwixt two crescents of the first, and in chief a broken lance, gules: Crest, a hand issuing out of the torse holding a broken spear; Motto,* Amore patriæ." Vide Sir Geo. Mackenzie's Heraldry, p. 35.; Nisbet's, vol. i. page 99.

* Vide Capt. W. Scott's Genealogical Essays, Part I. p. 41. 43, 44.

" *Thomas Scott of Toderick, a second brother of the family of Whitslade,—or, on a bend azure, a star of six points between two crescents of the field, a broken lance, gules, with a crescent for difference: Crest, the head of a lance proper; Motto,* PRO ARIS ET FOCIS." Vide Nisbet, vol. i. p. 100.

On the seat in the Kirk at Askirk, belonging to Toderick, at this time (1783) are the following Arms cut in wood, to wit,—*or, on a bend azure, a star of six points between two crescents of the field, and in base, a buck's head and neck, proper;* the date 1622.

Mr Gladstains, in his MS. observes, that " *all persons who have any notion of heraldry laugh at those who claim their descent from the family of Buccleugh for bearing in their Arms the bend, as it is not at all the original Arms of Scott, but carried by Buccleugh as marrying the heiress of Murdistone of that Ilk, in* 1296; *and that all those who came off from the said family before the said marriage, ought to carry as Scott of Boonraw above, with their proper differences.*"

And on this account it is very probable, that Scott of Harden, before-mentioned, descended of Synton, although not the male representative of that family, did formerly " *carry, or, on a bend azure, a star of six points betwixt two crescents of the field, and in the sinister chief point, a rose gules, stalked and barbed vert, for difference: But of late, as descended of Scott of Synton, he carries, or, two*

mullets in chief, and a crescent in base azure: Supporters, two mermaids proper, holding mirrors in their hands: Crest, a lady richly attired, holding in her right hand the sun, and in her left a half moon; Motto,* REPARABIT CORNUA PHÆBE."—Vide Nisbet's Heraldry, vol. i. p. 99, 100.; Sir Geo. Mackenzie's, page 35.

* In Scotland, supporters have been allowed or granted to the Arms of some commoners. Vide Sir Geo. Mackenzie's Heraldry, p. 93, &c.